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For: METHODS AND REAGENTS FOR THE
DETECTION OF ANTIBODIES TO ADENOVIRUS

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO NOTICE TO COMPLY WITH
SEQUENCE LISTING REQUIREMENTS

Honorable Commissioner of
Patents & Trademarks
Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

In response to the Notice mailed February 22, 2002 (copy enclosed), please consider the following. Also enclosed is a Marked-Up Amendment showing all changes to the claims.

AMENDMENT

Please enter the following Amendment to the claims before substantive examination of the above-referenced Application.

In the claims: Please cancel claims 4-7, 9-15 and 17, 19 and 20; add new claims 21-27 and amend claims 1, 8, 16 and 18 as follows:

1 (Amended). A method for detecting an antibody capable of binding to adenovirus comprising the steps of:

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